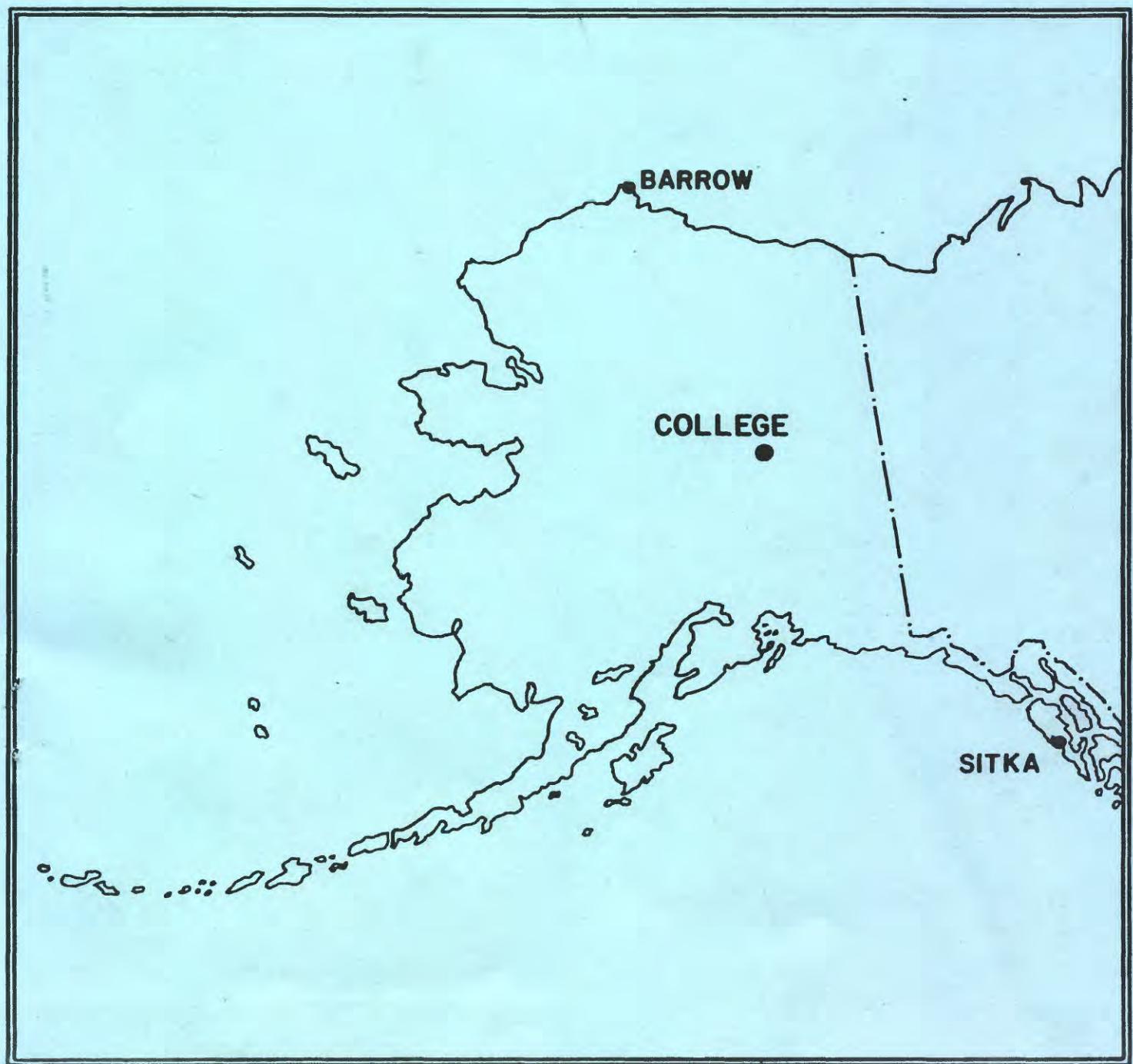


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PRELIMINARY GEOMAGNETIC DATA
COLLEGE OBSERVATORY
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

JULY 1985

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COLLEGE OBSERVATORY PRELIMINARY GEOMAGNETIC DATA

EXPLANATION OF DATA AND REPORTS

INTRODUCTION

The preliminary geomagnetic data included here is made available to scientific personnel and organizations as part of a cooperative effort and on a data exchange basis because of the early need by some users. To avoid delay, all of the data is copied from original forms processed at the observatory; therefore it should be regarded as preliminary. Inquiries about this report or about the College Observatory should be addressed to:

Chief, College Observatory
U.S. Geological Survey
800 Yukon Drive
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Requests for copies of the magnetograms except for the current month should be addressed to:

World Data Center A
NOAA D63, 325 Broadway
Boulder, Colorado 80303

OBSERVATORY LOCATION

The College Observatory, operated by the U.S. Geological Survey, is located at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska. It is near the Auroral Zone and the northern limit of the world's greatest earthquake belt, the circum-Pacific Seismic belt. Although the observatory's basic operation is in geomagnetism and seismology, it cooperates with other scientists and organizations in areas where the facility and personnel can be of service.

The observatory is one of three operated by the USGS in Alaska. The others are located at Barrow and Sitka.

The position of the observatory site is:
Geographic latitude.....64°51.6'N
Geographic longitude.....147°50.2'W
Geomagnetic latitude.....+64.6°
Geomagnetic longitude.....+256.5°
Elevation.....200 meters

GEO MAGNETIC DATA

Normal, Storm and Rapid Run magnetograms and appropriate calibration data are processed daily at the observatory and are available for analysis or copying. Also available, are mean hourly scalings, K-Indices, selected magnetic phenomena reports and on a real-time basis are recordings from a 3-component fluxgate magnetometer and F-component proton magnetometer.

Magnetic Activity

The K-Index: The K-Index is a logarithmic measurement of the range of the most disturbed component (D or H) of the geomagnetic field for eight intervals beginning 0000-0300, 0300-0600...2100-2400 UT. It is a measure of the difference between the highest and lowest deviation from a smooth curve to be expected for a component on a magnetically quiet day, within a three hour interval.

The Equivalent Daily Amplitude, AK: The K-Index is converted into an equivalent range, ak, which is near the center of the limiting gamma ranges for a given K. The average of the eight values is called equivalent daily amplitude AK. The unit 10^y has been chosen so as not to give the illusion of an accuracy not justified.

The schedule for converting gamma range to K, and K to ak is as follows:

Gamma Range	K - Index	ak
0 < 25	0	0
25 < 50	1	3
50 < 100	2	7
100 < 200	3	15
200 < 350	4	27
350 < 600	5	48
600 < 1000	6	80
1000 < 1650	7	140
1650 < 2500	8	240
2500+	9	400 (10 ^y)

The Magnetic Daily Character Figure, C: To each Universal day a character is assigned on the basis C=0, if it is quiet; C=1, if it is moderately disturbed; C=2, if it is greatly disturbed. The method used to assign characters at the College Observatory is based on AK as follows:

AK Range	C
0~11	0
11~50	1
50+	2

Routine assignment of C was discontinued at College on January 1, 1976.

Selected Phenomena & Outstanding Magnetic Effects

Prior to January 1, 1976, the Normal and Rapid Run records were reviewed at the observatory for selected magnetic phenomena and the events identified were forwarded to the IUGG Commission on Magnetic Variations and Disturbances. This was discontinued on January 1, 1976, but a report on Outstanding Magnetic Effects is prepared monthly for this report.

Principal Magnetic Storms

Gradual and sudden commencement magnetic disturbances with at least one K-Index of 5 or greater, which are believed to be part of a world-wide disturbance, are classified as principal magnetic storms. The time of the storm beginning and ending; direction and amplitude of sudden commencements; period of maximum activity; and storm range are reported. Monthly reports of these data are forwarded to the World Data Center A in Boulder, Colorado.

Magnetogram Hourly Scalings

Magnetogram hourly scalings are averages for successive periods of one hour for the D, H and Z elements. The value in the column headed "01" is the average for the hour beginning 0000 and ending 0100. Note that the values on the scaling sheets are in tenths of mm with the decimal point omitted. The user of these scalings should keep in mind that the tabular values are hourly means and if he is interested in the detailed morphology of the magnetic field, he should refer directly to the magnetograms.

Magnetograms

The normal magnetograms in this report are reproduced at about one-third the size of the originals. Preliminary base-line values and scale values adopted for use with the original magnetograms are included. For days when the magnetic field is too disturbed for the Normal magnetogram to be readable, Storm magnetograms are reproduced.

Absolutes, Base-lines and Scale Values

To determine the absolute value of the magnetic field from the hourly means or from point scalings the following equations should be used:

$$D = B_D + d \cdot S_D; \quad H = B_H + h \cdot S_H; \quad Z = B_Z + z \cdot S_Z$$

where D, H and Z are absolute values;
 B_D , B_H and B_Z are base-line values;
 S_D , S_H and S_Z are scale values;
and d , h and z are scalings in millimeters.

COLLEGE, ALASKA

MONTH AND YEAR

JULY 1985

MAGNETIC ACTIVITY
(Greenwich civil time, counted from midnight to midnight)

DATE	K-INDICES								AK	TIME SCALE ON MAGNETOGRAMS 20 mm/hr
	03 0	06 3	09 6	12 9	15 12	18 15	21 18	24 21		
1	4	3	4	2	3	3	1	2	22	15
2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	05	02
3	2	2	2	1	3	1	1	2	14	07
4	3	2	3	3	7	5	3	3	29	34
5	4	4	3	5	5	3	3	3	30	26
6	3	3	3	6	4	4	2	3	28	25
7	4	5	6	5	5	5	2	2	34	39
8	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	3	26	19
9	3	4	4	0	2	2	1	0	16	11
10	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	11	05
11	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	17	09
12	5	5	5	7	5	6	6	2	41	62
13	2	2	2	6	5	5	5	3	30	33
14	3	4	7	4	4	3	2	2	29	33
15	2	5	3	5	2	1	1	1	20	17
16	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	12	05
17	2	3	2	6	6	6	2	2	29	35
18	3	3	3	4	6	3	3	3	28	25
19	2	2	2	4	4	3	1	0	18	12
20	1	2	4	3	4	5	2	2	23	18
21	2	2	3	3	1	0	1	1	13	07
22	1	1	3	3	3	0	1	1	13	07
23	1	4	4	4	3	1	1	2	20	14
24	2	2	3	6	5	3	2	2	25	23
25	3	3	4	4	0	2	3	1	20	14
26	1	4	3	4	2	2	2	3	21	14
27	3	4	5	5	5	2	1	1	26	25
28	2	3	1	5	2	2	2	2	19	13
29	2	1	0	0	1	1	2	1	08	03
30	2	4	3	3	6	3	1	1	23	21
31	1	3	6	7	6	7	3	3	36	61

K SCALE USED:	D	H	Z
LOWER LIMIT FOR K = 9.....	675.7	322.2	
CURRENT SCALE VALUE.....	3.72	7.80	
LOWER LIMIT FOR K = 9	2510	2510	

 (mm)
 (γ/mm)
 (to nearest 10 γ)

SCALINGS AND COMPUTATIONS HAVE BEEN CHECKED.

APPROVED JOHN E. PAPP, ASSISTANT CHIEF

OBSERVER IN CHARGE

OUTSTANDING MAGNETIC EFFECTS			OBSERVATORY COLLEGE, ALASKA
		MONTH JULY	YEAR 1985
DATE	TIME U.T.	NATURE OF PHENOMENON ¹	REMARKS
03	12xx	pi 2	With bay
11	15xx	pg	
IDENTIFIED BY: JEP			VERIFIED BY: EAS

1. NATURE OF PHENOMENON: ssc, ssc*, si, si*, b, bp, bs, bps, pcl, pc2 - - - pc5,
pg, pi 1, pi 2, sfe.

Data from Individual Observatories:
COLLEGE OBSERVATORY, COLLEGE, ALASKA
1985

Obs. # letter IAEA code	Geomag.	Commencement			SC - amplitudes			Max. 3 hr - index K			Ranges			UT End day hr	
		lat.	day	hr min (UT)	type	D(')	H(Y)	Z(Y)	day	(3 hr - period)	K	D(')	H(Y)	Z(Y)	
CO	64.6 N	04	12xx	..	..	..	..	..	04	5	7	237	1350	970	07 24
		11	18xx	..	..	..	..	..	12	4	7	190	1620	900	12 22
		13	08xx	..	..	..	..	..	14	3	7	136	1330	410	14 22
		31	03xx	..	..	..	..	..	31	4, 6	7	254	1280	1130	Aug. 01 07

COLLEGE OBSERVATORY, COLLEGE, ALASKA -- PRELIMINARY CALIBRATION DATA FOR:

JULY

1965

NORMAL MAGNETOGRAPH					
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION		
	FROM	TO	SCALE VALUE	BASELINE	
D	0000 U.T., 7-1-85	2400 U.T., 7-31-85	1.08/mm	3.78/mm	27° 16.6 E
H	0000 U.T., 7-1-85	2400 U.T., 7-15-85	7.88/mm		12683 8
	0000 U.T., 7-16-85	2400 U.T., 7-31-85	"		12694 8
Z	0000 U.T., 7-1-85	2400 U.T., 7-31-85	7.68/mm		55166 8

STORM MAGNETOGRAPH					
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION		
	FROM	TO	SCALE VALUE	BASELINE	
D	0000 U.T., 7-1-85	2400 U.T., 7-24-85	7.9/mm	29.58/mm	23° 44.5 E
	0000 U.T., 7-25-85	2400 U.T., 7-31-85	"	"	23° 42.9 E
H	0000 U.T., 7-1-85	2400 U.T., 7-15-85	43.98/mm		10716 8
	0000 U.T., 7-16-85	2400 U.T., 7-31-85	"		10734 8
Z	0000 U.T., 7-1-85	2400 U.T., 7-31-85	48.48/mm		54113 8

RAPID RUN MAGNETOGRAPH					
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION		
	FROM	TO	SCALE VALUE		
D					
H					
Z					

MONTHLY MEAN ABSOLUTE VALUES*					
D	H	Z			
27° 38.0 E	12900 8	55340 8			
* COMPUTED FROM TEN QUIETEST DAYS DURING MONTH.					
DAYS USED:	JUL	2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 16, 19, 21, 22, 29			

MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS

(UNIVERSAL TIME)

Values are in tenths of mm., and are averages for successive periods of one hour beginning at midnight. Hour 01 of local day (1200W.M.T.) is hour 08 of the same universal day.

Shrinkage corrections have been applied. Negative values are in red. with minus signs shown.

C S D	Q ₀ T ₀ H ₀	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	Hr. Da.	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	SUM	YEAR	MONTH	ELEMENT	OBSY.	CO	85	JUL	D
01	1/16	139	185	36	132	173	180	348	183	175	173	158	01	176	224	251	245	287	360	356	316	256	177	161	152	5033									
02	152	149	157	172	193	209	220	213	211	207	203	210	02	216	232	249	273	287	317	307	292	267	242	214	177	5369									
03	154	129	130	179	199	217	207	205	203	197	183	03	208	239	255	292	315	329	332	307	278	256	194	215	5430										
04	124	102	114	112	86	95	84	80	115	187	202	157	04	727	*306*	230	343	473	425*	330	350	280	167	106	127	5322									
05	124	98	81	86	84	63	143	153	154	284	214	157	05	176	160	96	257	330	286	331	317	216	185	162	182	4339									
06	157	120	131	159	154	142	291	323	161	216	353	181	06	235	247	286	244	259	285	293	278	281	245	199	270	5467									
07	239	100	168	130	96	158	179	82	251	186	174	213	07	188	219	324	258	277	283	303	304	312	247	223	183	5142									
08	172	172	159	137	154	147	239	167	170	174	261	184	08	188	228	255	214	273	352	327	251	224	171	135	120	4872									
09	129	140	131	79	196	110	168	222	174	177	183	180	09	183	206	238	285	287	317	316	312	266	188	192	181	4859									
10	160	146	158	183	178	194	198	196	194	196	176	184	10	186	218	218	218	272	312	331	322	326	259	229	181	154	5201								
11	127	103	106	168	173	191	169	198	225	146	138	208	11	210	261	290	303	349	363	358	290	228	190	182	134	5109									
12	94	92	26	5	-16	28	98	11	11	67	344	170	*12	233	*170	369	*488	*344*	*344*	344*	316	377	285	317	316	180	4536								
13	162	159	160	158	172	168	176	177	167	92	132	336	*13	310	377	241	*432	*535*	*385	407	180	187	144	162	134	5653									
14	101	116	190	287	160	86	90	11	11	182	310	*153	14	194	173	268	290	334	337	304	175	275	243	221	197	193	4730								
15	177	184	180	181	144	257	200	184	172	123	171	196	15	197	257	291	301	320	302	279	263	242	204	181	153	5159									
16	163	172	180	190	210	195	192	185	176	192	197	18	198	210	248	288	337	326	294	260	239	224	183	179	5246										
17	153	149	157	134	188	179	171	183	166	185	180	177	*17	266	*165	*164	*488	*488	*349	350	312	266	217	192	181	169	5813								
18	149	137	133	112	178	164	160	182	166	154	193	188	18	114	*159	244	306	318	323	288	259	233	156	130	139	4585									
19	167	157	143	163	167	180	196	238	194	159	286	250	19	273	269	282	237	307	290	281	278	256	219	189	166	5347									
20	163	156	156	150	172	154	166	185	188	185	266	218	20	214	222	310	418	390	323	301	287	252	231	200	183	5490									
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24	160	141	127	136	155	149	213	248	199	175	190	283	24	323	374	352	328	277	276	277	288	208	234	173	124	5403									
25	109	102	72	99	152	134	140	167	158	163	116	194	25	198	229	254	289	298	275	278	299	200	164	157	129	4316									
26	130	137	143	143	94	241	169	182	191	221	292	222	28	207	229	239	278	277	290	309	311	304	238	166	5129										
27	147	138	90	143	133	143	118	188	134	195	387	245	27	277	198	181	253	270	283	302	270	240	214	183	170	4901									
28	150	120	110	137	172	152	180	188	159	168	90	156	28	188	190	237	272	298	328	303	172	150	147	145	4434										
29	141	150	161	175	183	188	196	190	187	200	29	187	204	235	277	310	316	327	285	285	246	166	128	133	4961										
30	139	165	164	164	164	101	138	162	183	172	167	148	307	20	195	217	387	264	312	340	278	234	183	146	126	5016									
31	107	126	154	154	174	151	236	170	29	268	21	83	31	387	*300*	483	*594	*339	*324	446	342	184	185	172	94	5523									

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Base-line Interval Beginning Value Scale Value

(1) Interpolated
 (2) Significant portion of hour interpolated.
 (3) No record; or no values available because of faulty record.
 (4) Derived from STORM Map, converted to Normal Map.

MONTHLY SUM 157,523
 MONTHLY MEAN 2/2
 DATES WITH GAPS:

(*) Scaling uncertain because of magnetic storm.
 (**) Record off sheet for part or all of hour; if given, care was estimated for missing part.

MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS
 (UNIVERSAL TIME)

Values are in tenths of min., and are averages for successive periods of one hour beginning at midnight. Hour 01 of local day 1200W (M.T.) is hour 08 of the same universal day.

Strike-off corrections have been applied. Negative values are in red, with minus signs shown.

C S H. D.	Q ₀ Q ₁	Hr. 01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	Hr. 01	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	SUM	OBS.	YEAR	MONTH	ELE- VEN-	MENT	JUL	Z
01	227	311	326	248	300	271	252	159	225	239	225	213	01	198	168	179	156	192	210	198	193	212	226	226	5347									
02	236	244	241	240	249	248	247	237	227	227	227	232	02	228	227	233	233	233	223	223	217	213	203	217	223	5544								
03	219	221	240	249	244	249	235	230	228	227	226	217	03	120	163	203	217	227	228	223	213	202	206	206	204	214	5205							
04	240	258	277	271	239	253	220	255	256	277	246	233	04	338*	-93*	78	76	199*	224*	115	174	229	204	235	222	5026								
05	232	250	264	274	284	285	305	265	207	194	17	172	05	227	248	96	155	169	227	237	227	197	207	217	228	5184								
06	267	254	268	293	291	275	282	220	227	193	65	47	06	68	74	162	143	204	201	200	197	198	241	245	286	4903								
07	333	275	268	292	294	306*	277	152	142	253	208	230	07	197	221	209	154	163	227	252	243	232	217	232	237	5514								
08	240	247	233	233	267	272	300	281	261	246	228	176	08	190	104	133	227	197	126	149	172	193	224	241	5137									
09	226	246	263	259	214*	272	266	200	257	247	240	234	09	233	234	203	203	208	192	214	210	214	213	210	227	238	5582							
10	233	229	250	264	249	243	246	242	216	229	228	208	10	207	221	220	220	220	220	233	230	227	223	213	216	204	209	5473						
11	212	223	257	287	256*	316*	266*	293	267	223	218	231	11	185	*194	162	158	206*	217	215*	196	197	202	219	230	5380								
12	238	258	268	90*	185*	110*	185*	39*	66*	311	350*	388*	12	190	*190	553*	533*	509*	477*	159*	388*	-4	165	206	219	7006								
13	228	236	242	237	239	236	241	252	243	216	300*	13	241	224*	376	229*	242*	78	66	107	193	210	245	271	5342									
14	299	282	314	300	249*	224*	160	242*	276	304	401*	205	14	154	230	278	259	263	221	236	238	227	225	229	238	6049								
15	248	253	268	276	280*	286	298	272	245	217	57	176	15	213	231	196	242	242	237	233	232	231	227	236	240	5626								
16	243	248	257	266	260	253	261	273	263	256	239	230	18	243	247	236	233	233	207	210	223	223	226	223	220	227	5767							
17	233	249	258	259	344	309	303	199	266	273	147*	16*	17	185	*236	414*	153*	37	193	200	207	217	223	247	249	5527								
18	277	307	275	289	274	279	294	281	233	219	227	274	18	255	170	160	207	233	203	221	227	232	230	242	227	5838								
19	240	257	277	270	254	267	284	264	251	243	212	-48	19	68	266	135	157	211	230	233	228	231	232	237	233	5232								
20	233	245	274	263	276	290	251	279	262	248	220	166	20	191	214	216	214	218	109	188	220	223	223	231	237	5274								
21	243	246	253	290	303	297	313	293	244	193	228	227	21	230	243	248	247	247	248	238	239	220	213	223	221	224	5917							
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28	256	258	290	301	298	268	260	247	239	225	154	28	175	205	222	225	230	245	233	220	196	201	232	227	5644									
29	233	241	249	242	233	236	243	253	242	233	229	233	29	208	200	197	207	213	231	218	220	207	216	230	5421									
30	238	238	236	256	270	317	346	258	237	236	222	193	30	150	185	9	153	239	243	237	230	229	227	226	5336									
31	228	232	221	223	238	250	275	85*	174*	54*	172	219	31	384*	409	820*	612*	320*	35	139	123	140	214	300	286	6213								

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□ Significant portion of hour interpolated.

& No record, or no values available because of faulty record.

* Derived from STORM Map, converted to Normal Map.

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Preliminary base-line and scale values:

Base-line

Value

Beginning

Value

TEP

Preliminary

Value

checked by

TAF

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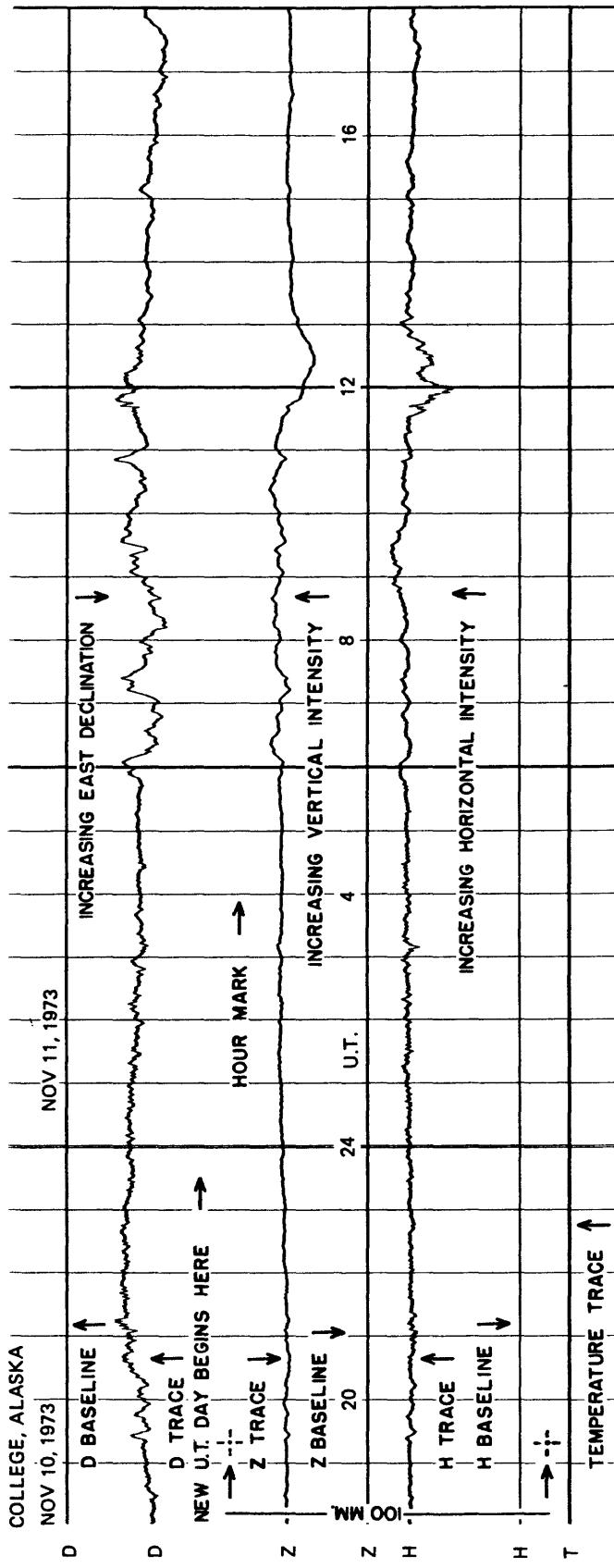
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MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS (UNIVERSAL TIME)

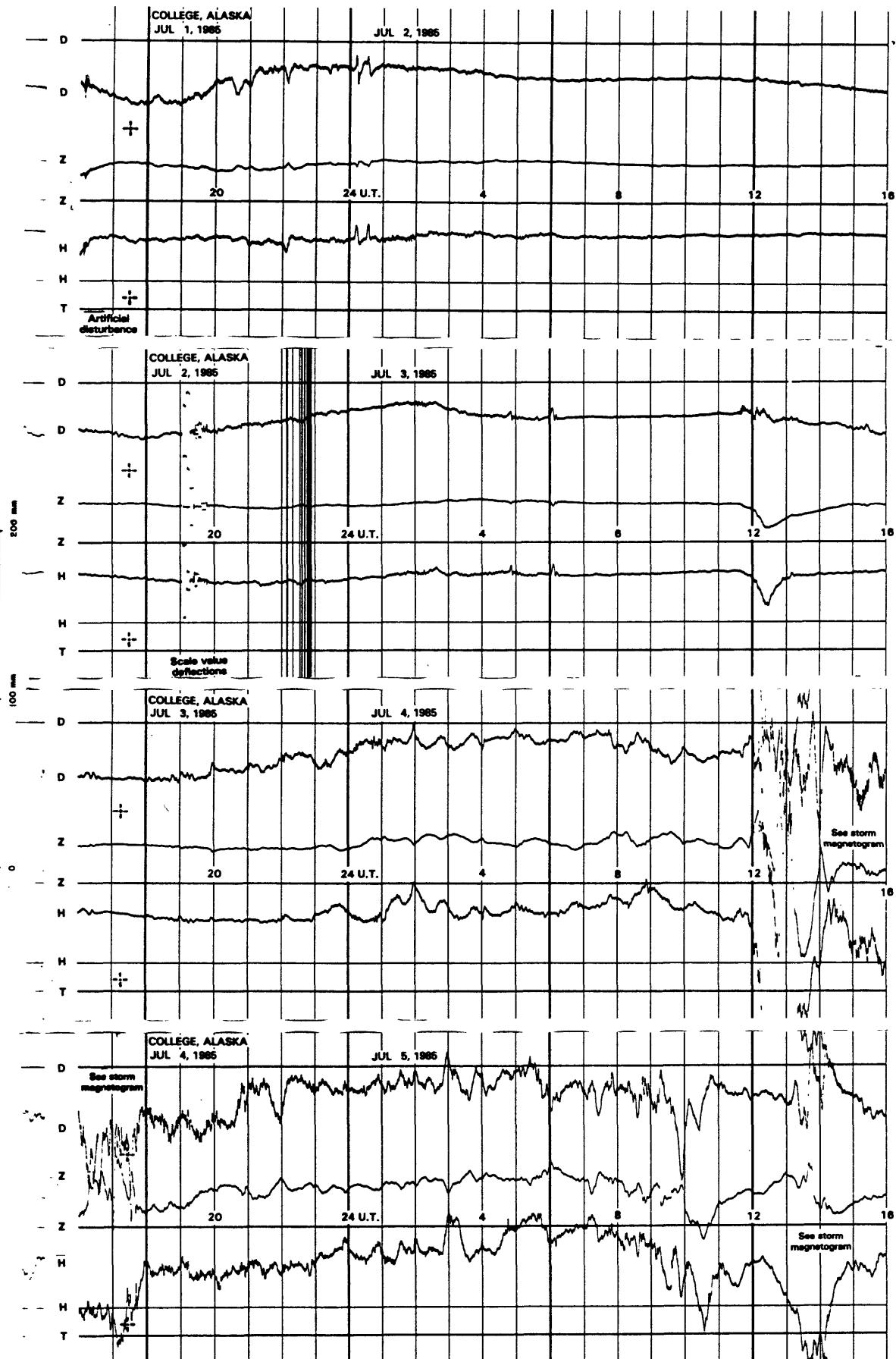
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FORMAT FOR NORMAL & STORM MAGNETOGRAMS
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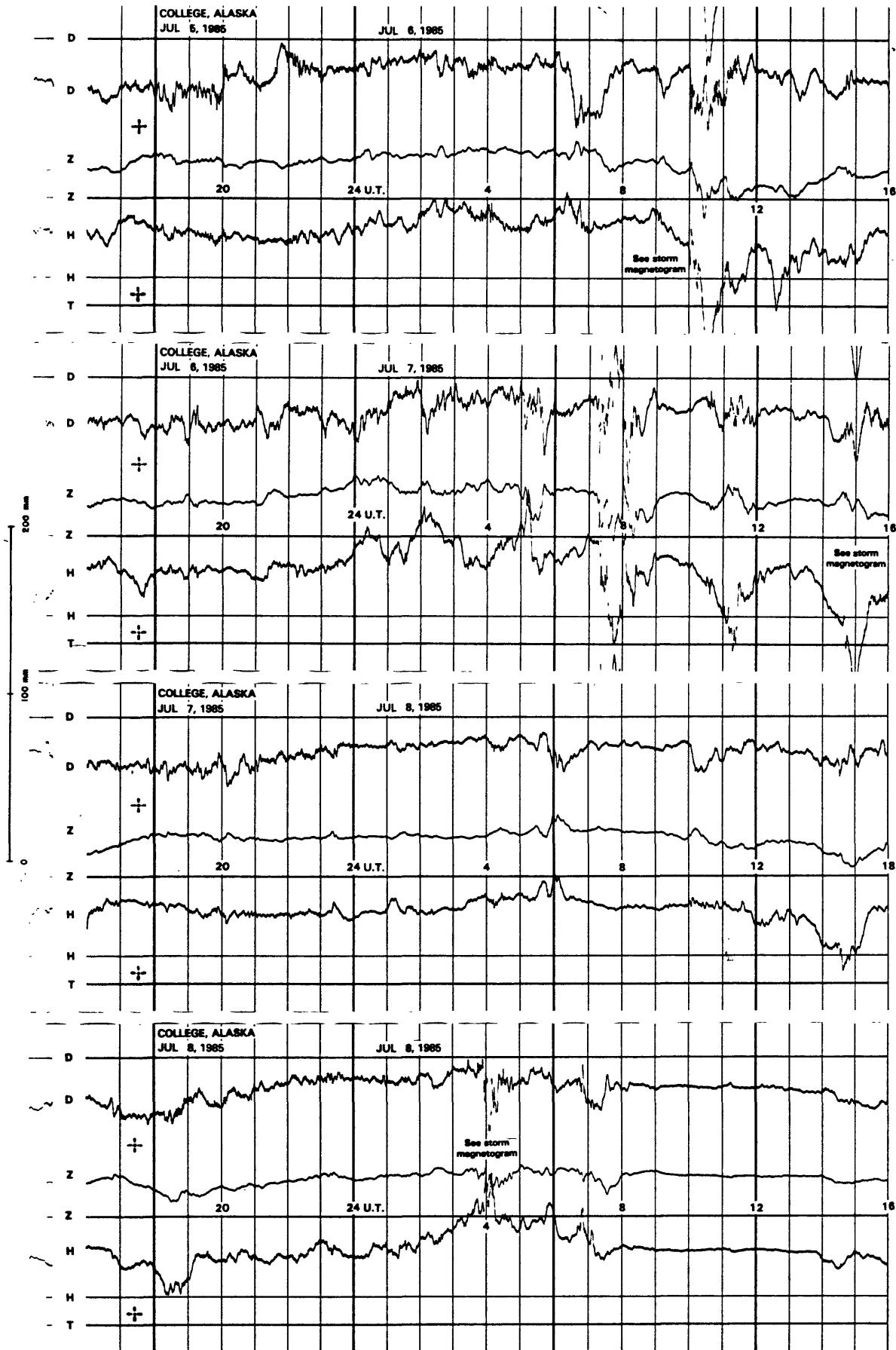


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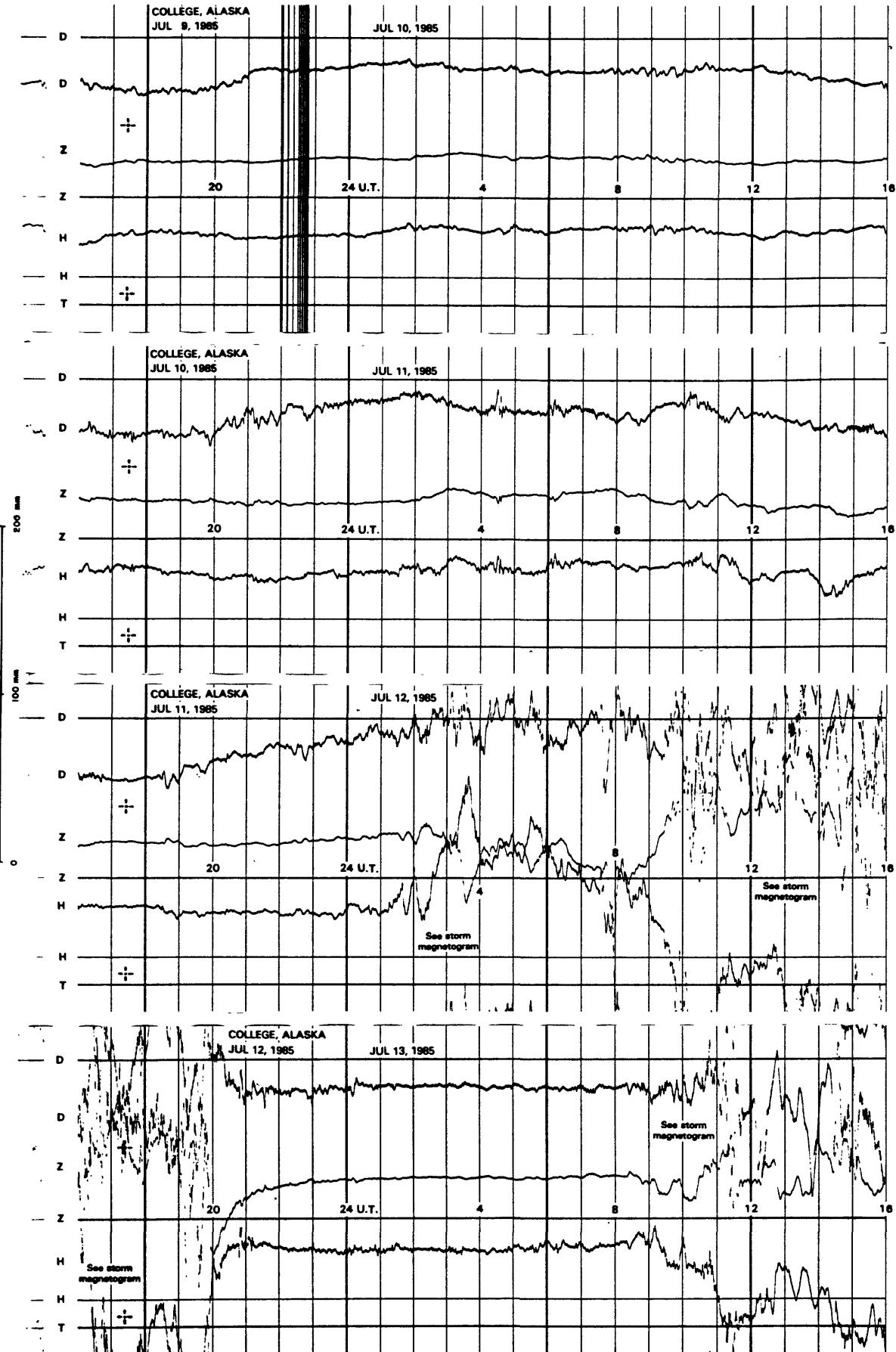
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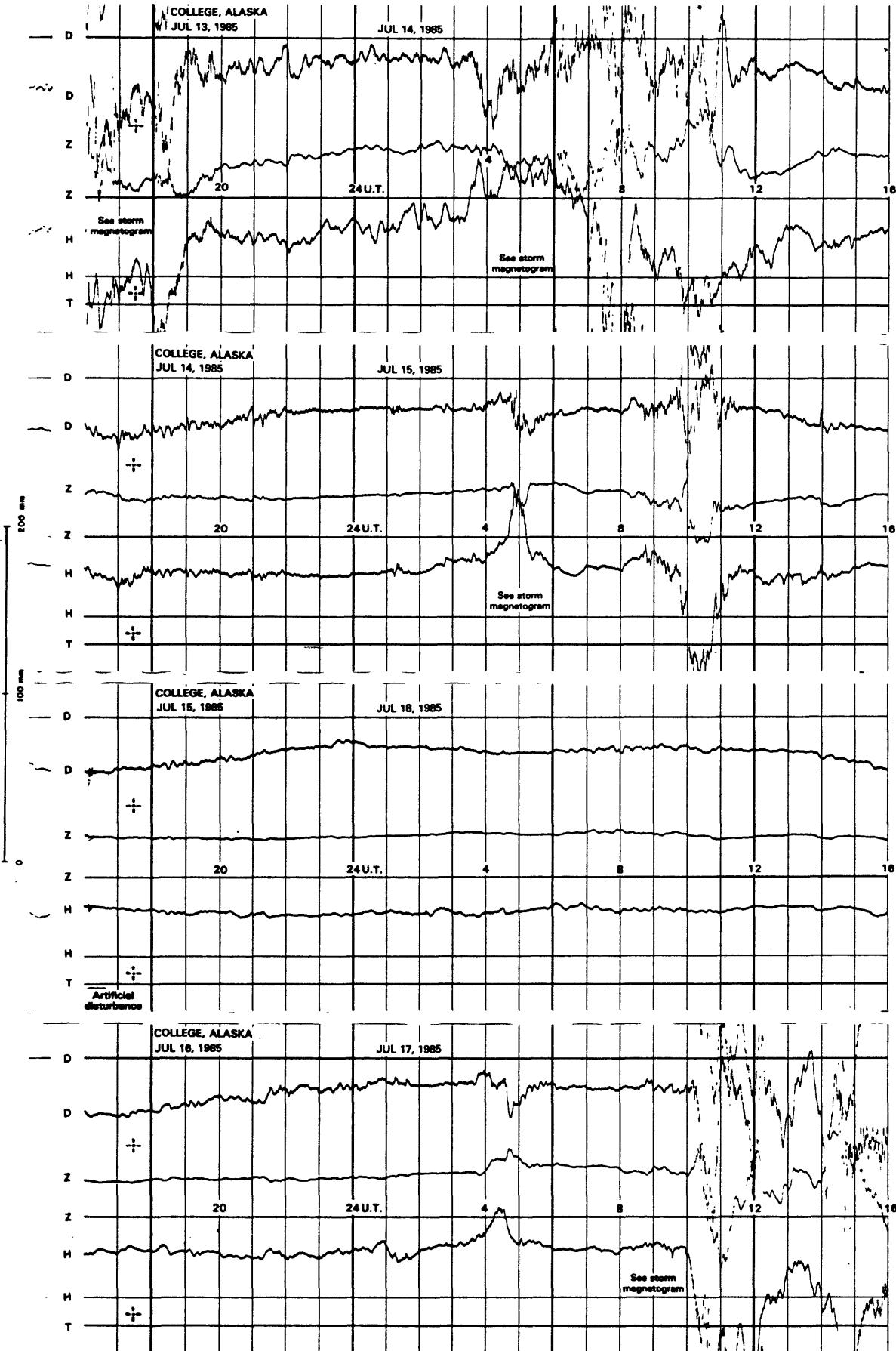
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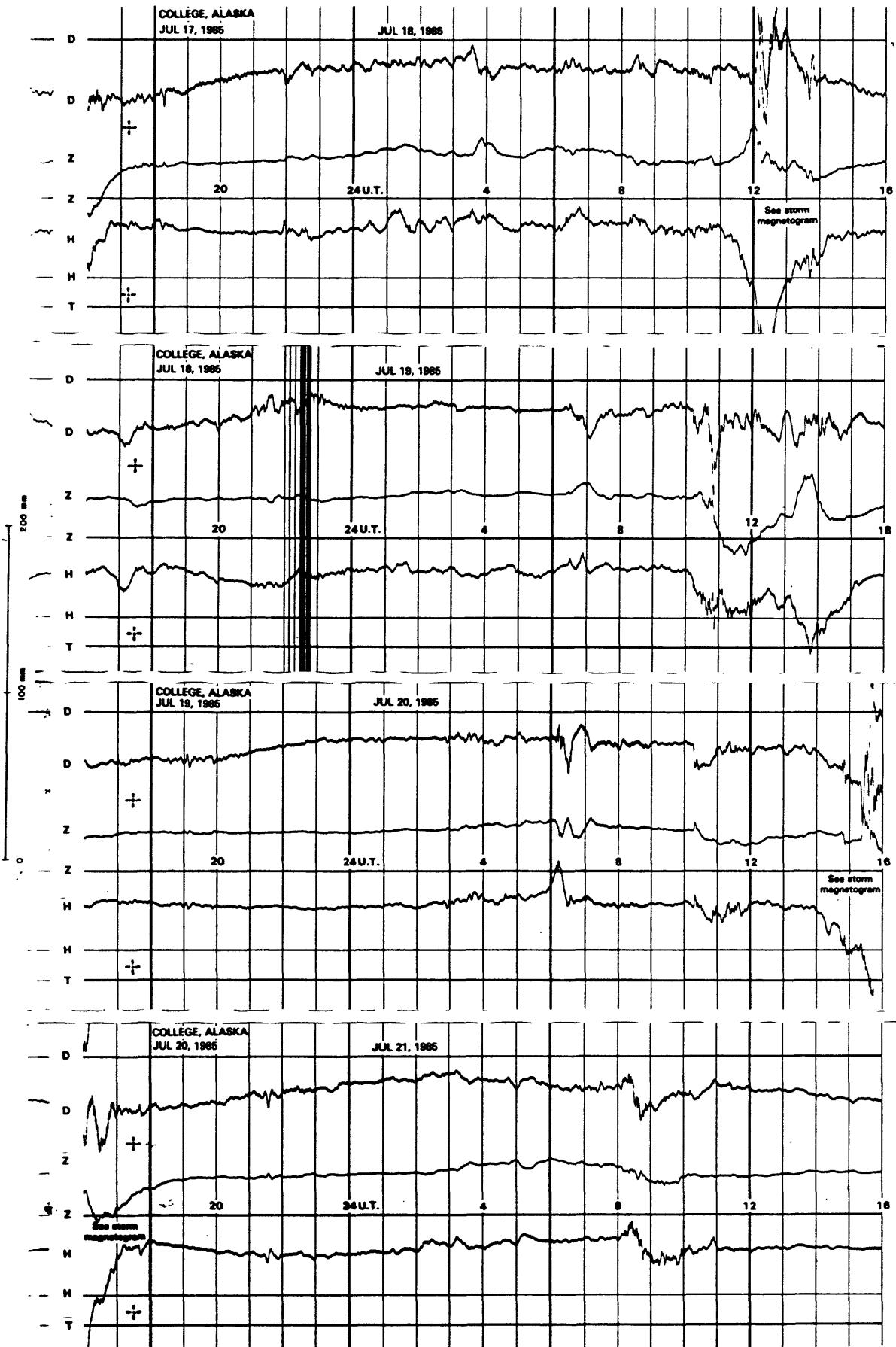
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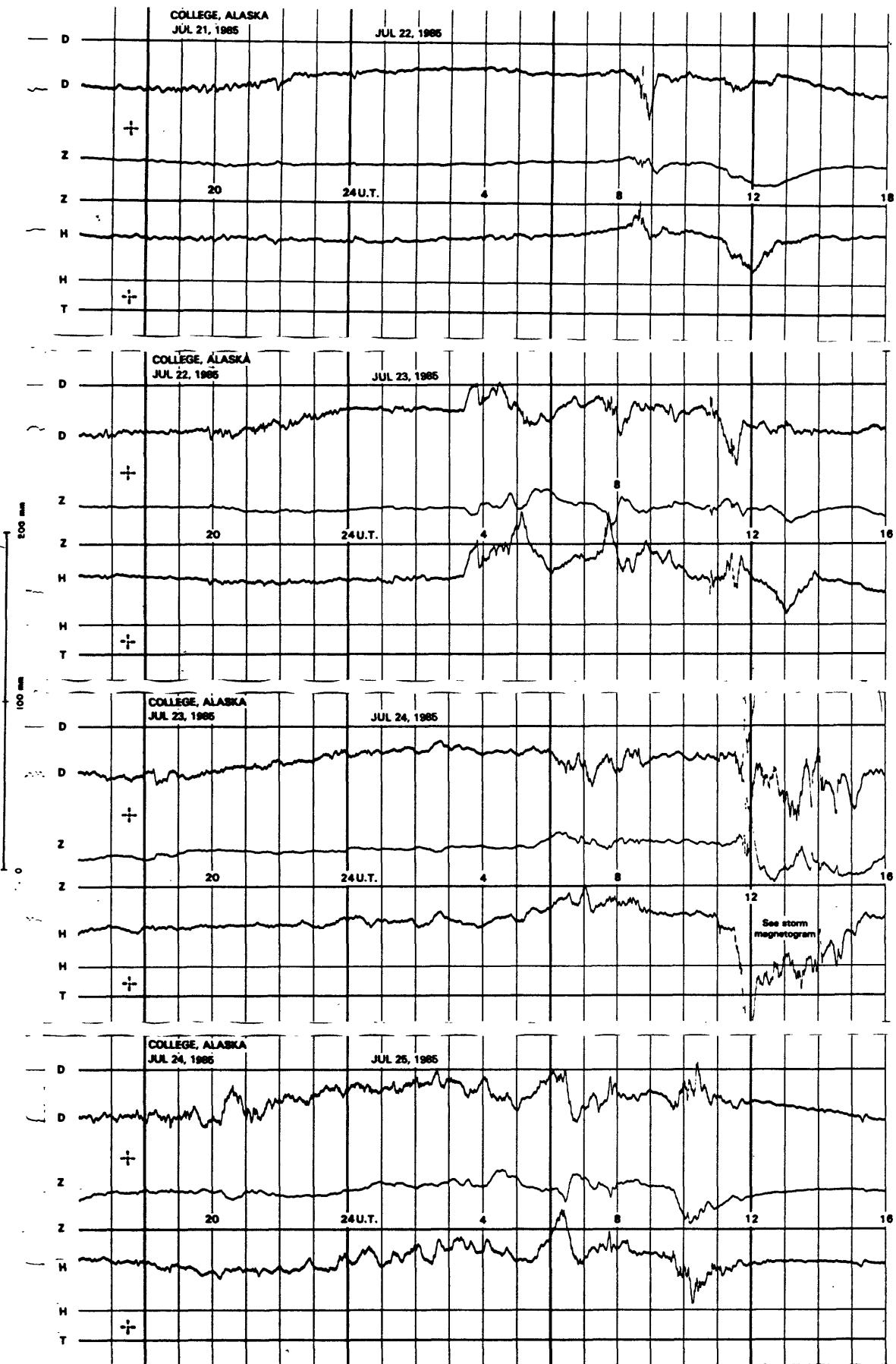
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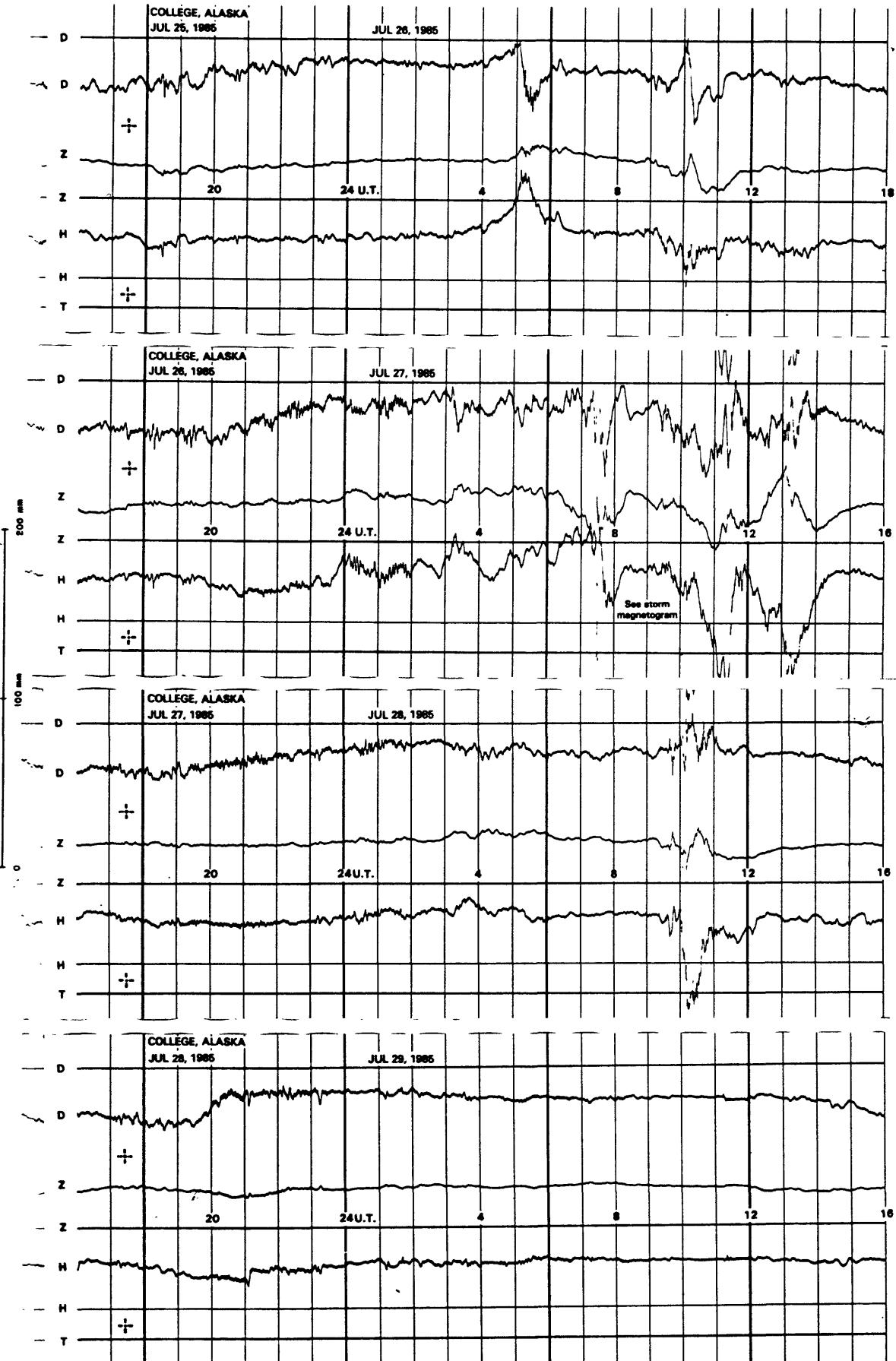
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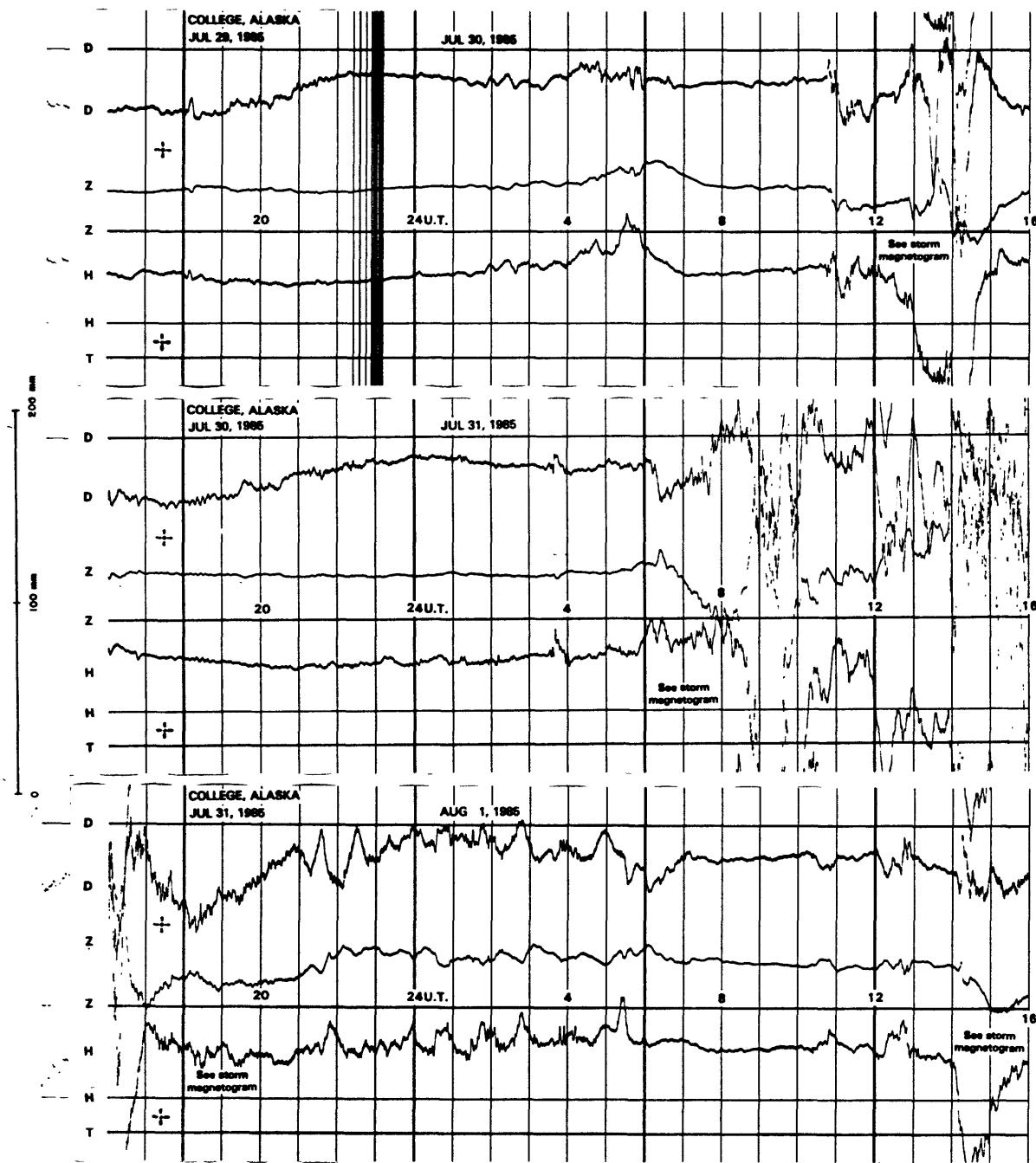
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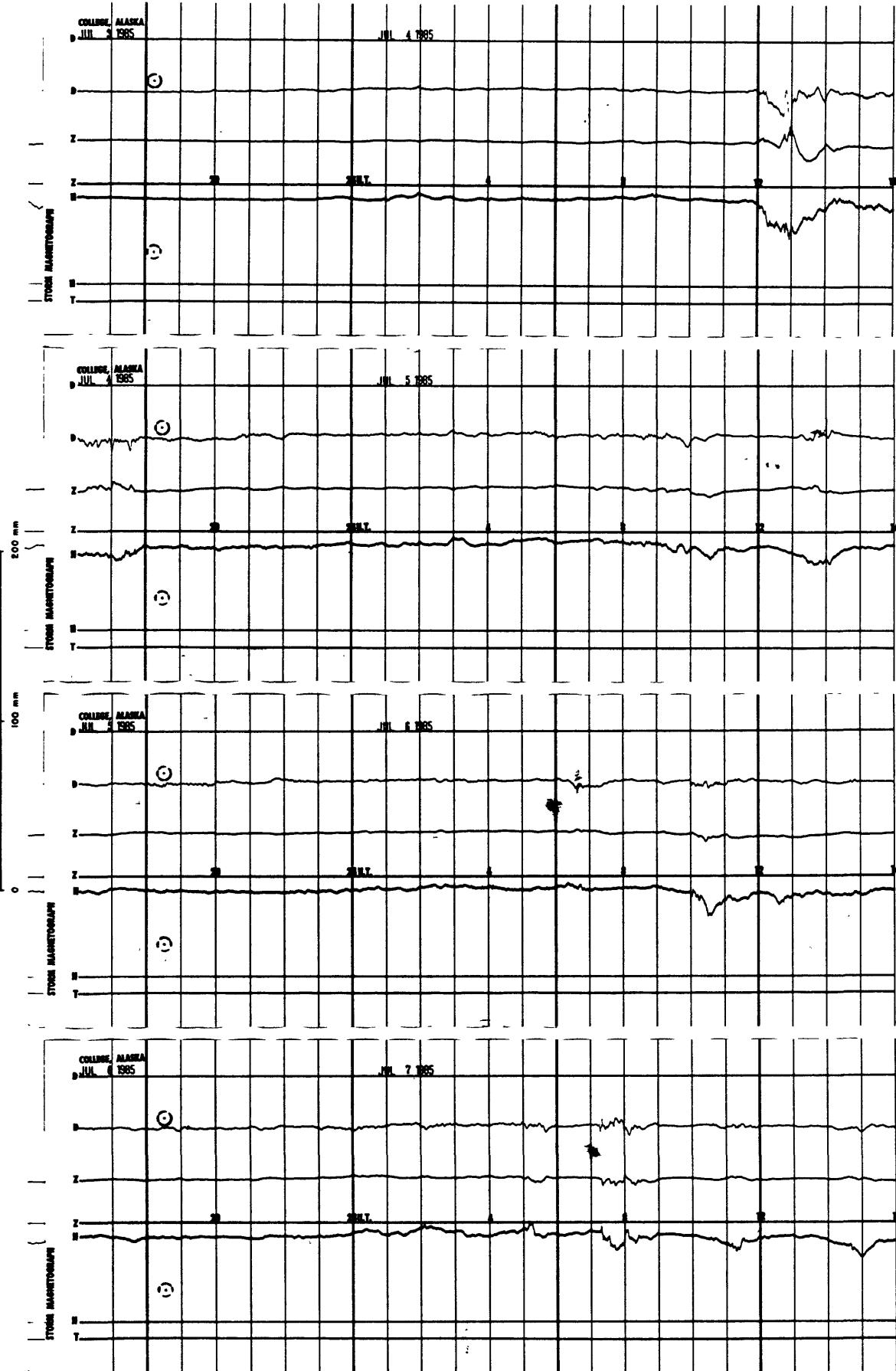
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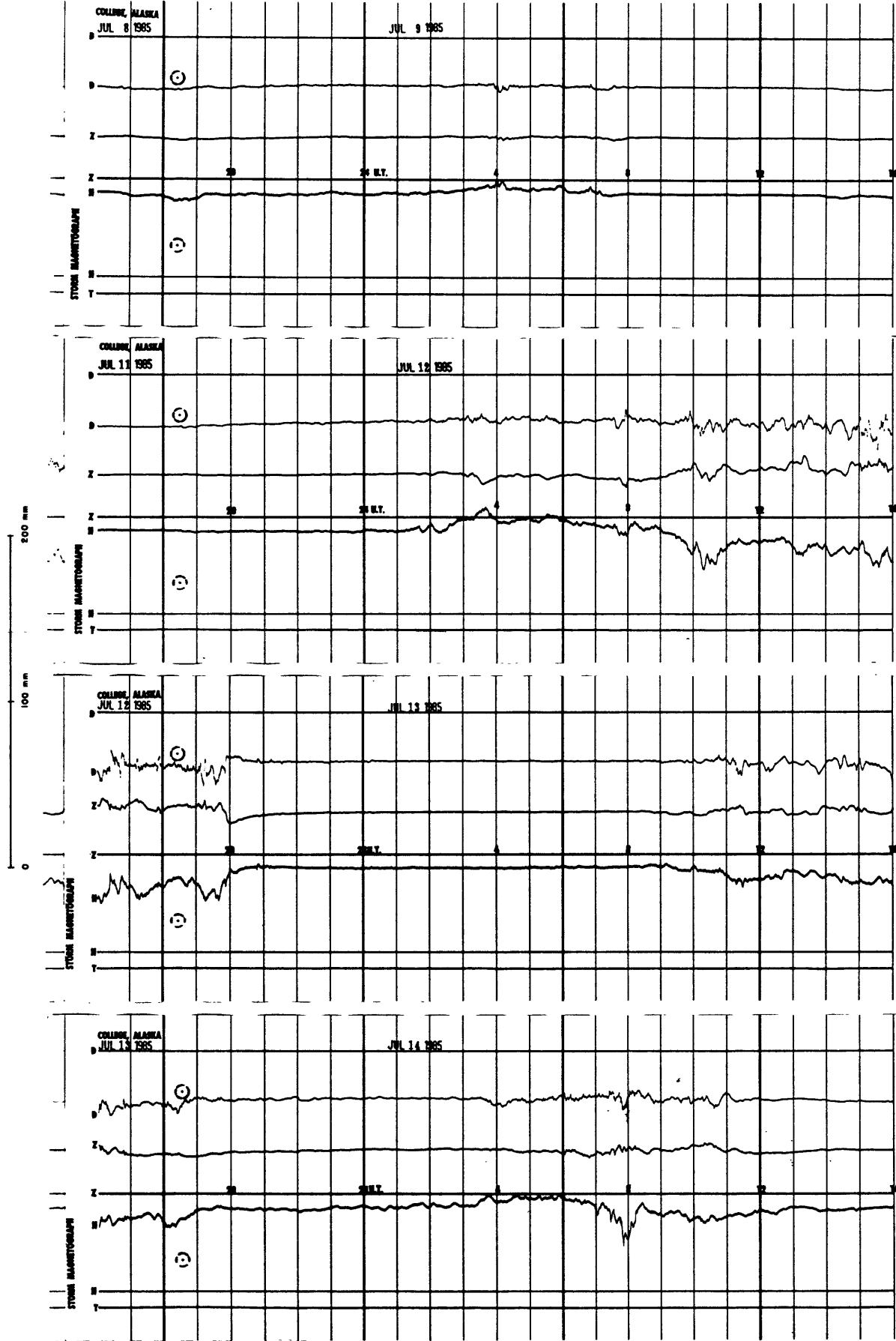
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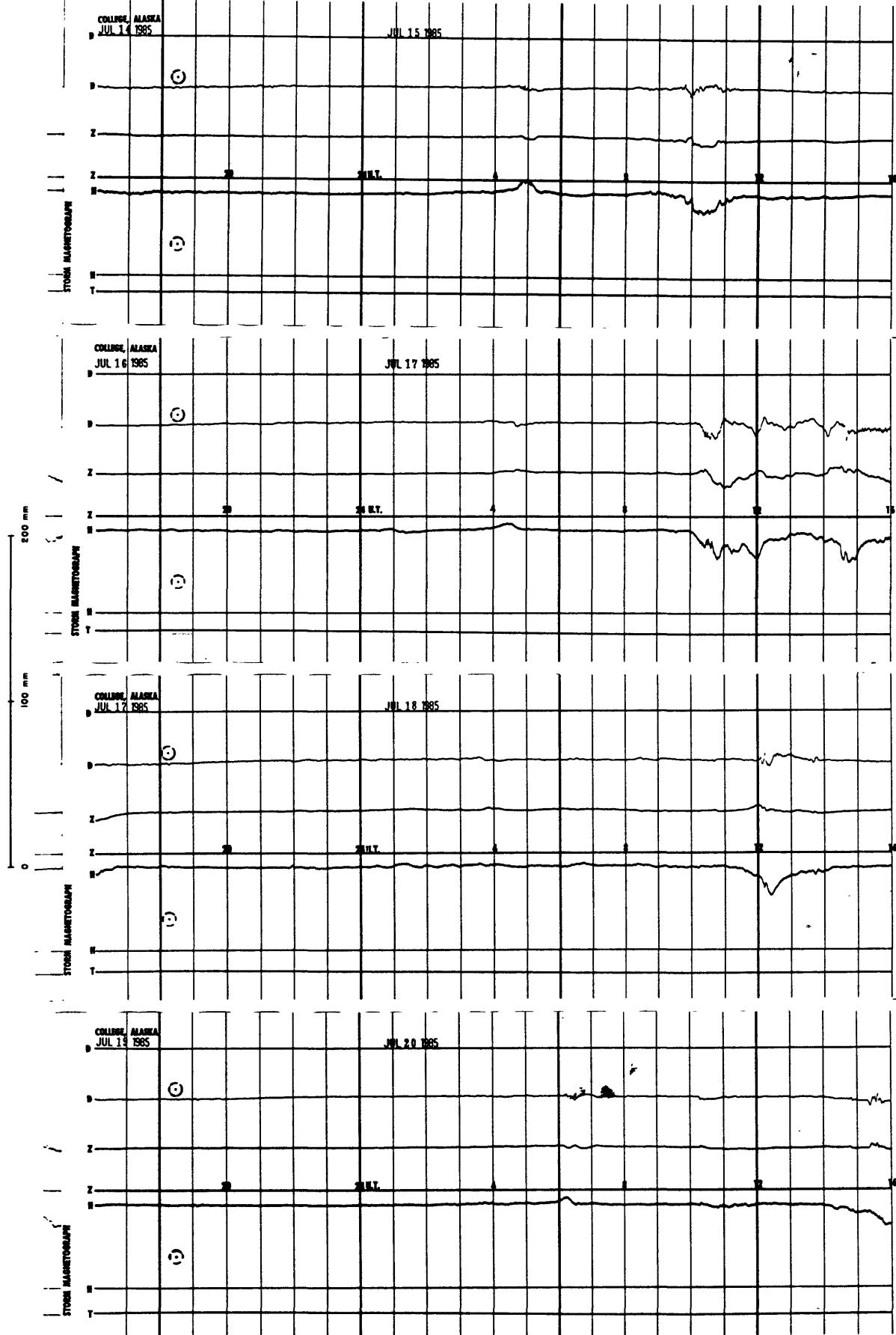
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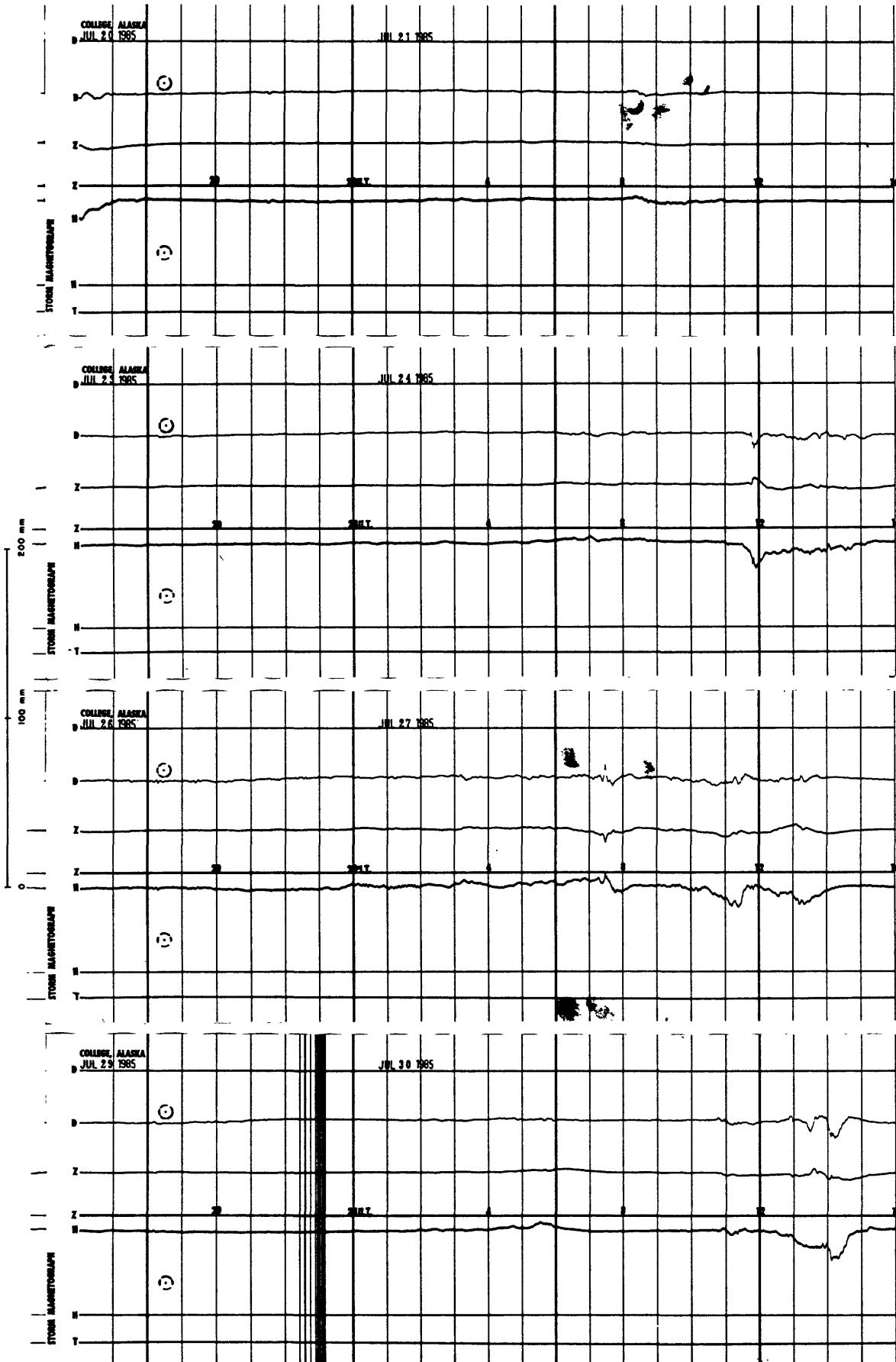
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